

## Message Text

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E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: EAIR, SA

SUBJECT: SAUDI ARABIA-U.S. AIR TRANSPORT AGREEMENT

REF: A. STATE 071416 B. JIDDA 2522

1. DURING DISCUSSIONS WITH SAUDIA OFFICIALS CONCERNING TWA LANDING RIGHTS, WILLINGNESS OF DEPARTMENT TO HOLD EARLY INFORMAL, EXPLORATORY TALKS LOOKING FORWARD TO EVENTUAL AIR TRANSPORT AGREEMENT WITH KINGDOM WAS MENTIONED BY TWA VICE PRESIDENT STEWART LONG. REPORTEDLY, SAUDIA OFFICIALS WERE DELIGHTED (VERY PLEASED) WITH THIS NEWS. EMBASSY NOT CERTAIN WHETHER ACTUAL DATES WERE CITED.

2. COMMENT: EMBASSY WAS INFORMED THAT, CONTRARY TO PREVIOUS IMPRESSION ABOUT PROBABLE TIMING OF SAUDIA SERVICE TO U.S., NOW APPEARS THAT SAUDIA IS THINKING OF GREATLY ACCELERATING SUCH DEVELOPMENT. HENCE, PROSPECT OF INFORMAL TALKS BECOMES DOUBLY IMPORTANT IN TERMS OF OUR BILATERAL RELATIONS (SEE REFTEL B).  
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## Message Attributes

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